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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
Headquarters USAF
Washington 25, D.C.

ATTENTION : AFCH 3 T

SUBJECT : Collection Priorities for Cartographic and
Geodetic Data on the Sino-Soviet Bloc

1. This office has been requested to submit a contribution to the Agency representation on the Inter-Agency clandestine Collection Priorities Committee reflecting priorities for the collection of maps and geodetic data on the Sino-Soviet Bloc. Previously, collection priorities have been submitted for each country within the Bloc; however, the above contribution has been requested to show priorities within the Bloc as a whole. In order that this paper may adequately take into account the priorities of each of the services, contributions, are being solicited from the Departments of the Air Force, Army, and Navy. It is, therefore, requested that your office provide us with a general listing of Department of the Air Force priorities for collection of topographic maps and geodetic data on the Sino-Soviet Bloc. The primary use that will be made of this material will be in collection planning.

2. In addition, a series of collection guides for individual countries is under preparation by this office for the use of various collecting offices. AFCH 3 T has in the past submitted a contribution to these guides in the form of statements of collection priorities within countries, and graphics showing area and specific target priorities. A collection guide is now under preparation for Communist China, and the same type of contribution is requested for inclusion in this guide.

3. Personnel from this Division have discussed both of the above requests in detail with representatives of the Science Support Branch of your Division. The assistance of members of your staff in the past in clarifying and contributing to requirements and collection support activities of this Division is greatly appreciated.

FOR THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND REPORTS:

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Chief, Map Library Division

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